

EXTENSIONS OF REMARKS

HONORING THE POOLESVILLE SWIM AND DIVE TEAMS

HON. JOHN K. DELANEY

OF MARYLAND

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Tuesday, March 10, 2015

Mr. DELANEY. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to honor Poolesville High School's Girls and Boys Swim and Dive Teams, which last month became 2015 Class 3A/2A/1A State Champions in Maryland. This year's win is the fourth consecutive state championship for the Poolesville Boys Team and the second championship in three years for the Poolesville Girls Team.

Both team members and Poolesville Coach Jon Leong deserve recognition for their outstanding performance, their ability to work as a team, and their athletic talent. This year's championship will make the Poolesville Boys Swim and Dive Team the first high school team in Maryland to win more than three state swimming titles. Throughout their work, members of the Boys and Girls Swim and Dive Teams have acted as role models for their peers, and they should be proud of their accomplishments.

I ask that you and my other distinguished colleagues help me in honoring the significant occasion of this year's Swim and Dive State Championship victories for Poolesville High School. The boys and girls teams are model organizations and are an inspiration in our community.

IN HONOR OF DR. SIMON W.
CHANG

HON. SAM FARR

OF CALIFORNIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

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Mr. FARR. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to honor the remarkable public service career of Dr. Simon W. Chang, who is retiring as the Superintendent of the Naval Research Laboratory (NRL) Marine Meteorology Division in Monterey, CA following a 32-year career with the Federal Government. During that time, Dr. Chang built an unparalleled reputation for scientific excellence and insightful leadership through overseeing the development of state of the art weather prediction systems to support U.S. military operations. Dr. Chang's insightful leadership was recognized in 2007 with the Presidential Rank Award of Meritorious Executive, and in 2009 with his election as a Fellow of the American Meteorology Society.

A native of Nanjing, China, Dr. Chang earned his Bachelor of Science Degree in Meteorology from the National Taiwan University. After immigrating to the United States he earned his Master of Science Degree in Atmospheric Sciences from the South Dakota School of Mines and Technology and his PhD

in Meteorology from Pennsylvania State University. Dr. Chang joined NRL in 1983, and has led the Monterey Meteorology Division since 2003. His work has advanced the science of meteorology and, in particular, the study of tropical cyclones, air-sea interactions, numerical weather prediction, satellite data assimilation, and mesoscale meteorology. He authored the definitive mesoscale meteorological analysis for the 1991 Gulf War Illness study that determined the extent to which our deployed military forces could have been exposed to dangerous contaminants in the aftermath of Operation Desert Storm.

As the NRL Monterey Division Superintendent, Dr. Chang was in charge of developing several key Navy global and regional scale weather models, tropical cyclone prediction models, highly accurate data assimilation systems to bring millions of observations per day into those models, and user-friendly tactical-scale tools to translate raw weather data into actionable military information. He established close collaborations with other regional scientific organizations; such as the Fleet Numerical Meteorology and Oceanography Center, the Naval Postgraduate School, the Monterey Bay Aquarium Research Institute, and the Central and Northern California Ocean Observing System, to put the Monterey Bay Area at the forefront of atmospheric and oceanographic research. For my part, I had the great pleasure of working with Dr. Chang to secure funding for a new state of the art lab building for the Monterey Division.

Mr. Speaker, I know that I speak for the whole House in sharing our gratitude to Dr. Chang for a job well done and extend our best wishes to Simon and his family in this next chapter of life. I know that even in retirement, he will still find himself involved in the community and helping people in need and will continue to stand as an example for others.

RECOGNIZING BASKETBALL LEGEND SAM JONES

HON. G.K. BUTTERFIELD

OF NORTH CAROLINA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Tuesday, March 10, 2015

Mr. BUTTERFIELD. Mr. Speaker, today it is with great pleasure that I rise to commemorate the contributions of Sam Jones. Mr. Jones was a star Guard in college and went on to play professionally for the Boston Celtics. On March 5, 2015, Mr. Jones' alma mater of North Carolina Central University will retire his jersey inside McDougald-McLendon Gymnasium.

Sam Jones was born June 24, 1933 in Wilmington, North Carolina and attended Laurinburg Institute located in Scotland County, North Carolina. After, Mr. Jones went to Durham where he attended what was then known as North Carolina College and quickly became a breakout star on the basketball court. Mr. Jones played at North Carolina Col-

lege from 1951 until 1954 and again from 1956 until 1957. While there, he amassed 1,745 career points under head coaches John McLendon and Floyd Brown. Nearly 60 years after leaving North Carolina College, Mr. Jones is still the school's second-leading scorer.

In 1957, Mr. Jones entered the NBA draft and was selected by the Boston Celtics in the first round as the eighth overall pick. During his remarkable 12 year career with the Celtics, Mr. Jones scored 15,411 points and averaged 17.7 points per game and also had 4,305 career rebounds and 2,209 career assists. Impressively, Mr. Jones led the Boston Celtics to 10 NBA championship wins—the second most of any NBA player—behind his then teammate—Bill Russell. He also played in five All Star games and is widely regarded as one of the greatest NBA players of all time.

Mr. Jones was inducted into the North Carolina Sports Hall of Fame in 1969 and both the North Carolina Central University Hall of Fame and the prestigious Naismith Memorial Basketball Hall of Fame in 1984. In 1970, Mr. Jones was selected as part of the NBA 25th Anniversary All-Time Team and was later honored by being named among the top 50 players in the history of the NBA as a member of the 50th Anniversary All-Time Team in 1996.

Throughout his career, Sam Jones never lost sight of what was most important—his family. He is married to Gladys Jones and together they have five adult children—Aubrey, Phyllis, Michael, Terri, and Ashley and many grandchildren.

Mr. Speaker, Sam Jones has served as inspiration to generations of young men and women both here and around the world who are drawn to the game of basketball. I ask my colleagues to join me in congratulating Mr. Sam Jones on the high honor bestowed upon him by our shared alma mater of North Carolina Central University.

ABINGTON HIGH SCHOOL DIVISION V 2014 SUPERBOWL CHAMPIONS; ETIENNE BOURGOIN 2014 DIVI- SION 3 2014 MASSACHUSETTS STATE GOLFING CHAMPION

HON. STEPHEN F. LYNCH

OF MASSACHUSETTS

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Tuesday, March 10, 2015

Mr. LYNCH. Mr. Speaker, today I rise to honor and congratulate the administration, coaches, and players of the Abington, MA high school football team. On December 6, 2014, the Green Wave won the Massachusetts Interscholastic Athletic Association Division V Superbowl, defeating the Northbridge High School Rams, 36–6, earning them the title, State Champions.

Abington High School has a long tradition of excellence in high school football. The Green Wave has earned the state-best overall three year record of 35–3 from 2012–2014. Since

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the year 2000, they have won nine South Shore League Championships (2001, 02, 05, 06, 07, 08, 09, 12, 13), three Superbowl Championships (2002, 2005, 2012), one South Sectional Championship (2013), and one State Championship (2014).

Mr. Speaker, the young men on this football team conducted themselves in such a way as to bring honor, pride, and recognition to the Town of Abington. They represent what is truly best about high school student-athletes.

Mr. Speaker, it is my honor to join with the families, friends, and residents of Abington, MA, to congratulate the high school football team on their remarkable achievement.

Administration: Superintendent Peter Schafer, Principal Teresa Sullivan, Athletic Director Peter Serino, Head Coach Jim Kelliher, Assistant Coaches Ed Reilly, Jim Daly, Scott Pifer, Mike Bruning, Brian McSharry, Tim Wells. Freshmen Coaches: Jay Brown, Tim O'Brien, Keith Faxon, Kalonji Kabongo, Mbela Kabongo. Water Boys: Eddie Reilly, Michael Reilly, Jack Reilly, Chris Lussier, Drew Donovan.

Players: Owen Leary, Bryan Dwyer, Javin Vincelle, Aidan Cawley, Evan Fanara, Nate Riordan, James Landers, Jake Tosone, Josh Riordan, John Kearns, Dave Lyons, Brendan Glavin, Christian Bermudez, Owen Kearney, Ryan Landers, Shawn Donovan, Donnell Leon, Josh McCabe, Will Curtin, Josh Martin, Ray Emery, Dexter Chevallier, Sam Malafronte, Cole McMahon, Ryan Paris, Cole Jansen, Luca Cerasani, Josh Rix, Shane Sullivan, Joe Hankins, Matt Dalton, Danny Malone, George Cellini, Brian O'Donovan, Alex Freeman, Colbey MacLeod, Jared Aprile, Rob Toomey, Chris Chevalier, Dennis Cummins.

Further, Mr. Speaker, I am proud to note the accomplishments of Abington High School senior, golfer Etienne Bourgoin. He fired a 74 under difficult conditions to win the Division Three State Golfing Championship in October, 2014. He was also honored by the Boston Globe as the Division Three Golfer of the Year for 2014. In addition, he was the co-medalist at the sectional tournament and at the South Shore League Championship. He was the number one golfer for four straight years at

Abington High School. Etienne is the first individual state champion in Abington High School history.

Please join me in congratulating Etienne Bourgoin on his historic victory.

RECOGNIZING THE NEWTOWN FIRE ASSOCIATION

HON. MICHAEL G. FITZPATRICK

OF PENNSYLVANIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Tuesday, March 10, 2015

Mr. FITZPATRICK. Mr. Speaker, the Newtown Fire Association celebrates 125 years of continuous service to the Newtown community this year and I congratulate the volunteers for the dedication and commitment that transcends the generations. The association was formed in the aftermath of a local mill fire in October 1889 when a group of citizen-responders saw the need for local fire protection and met the following month to create the all-volunteer Newtown Fire Association. This company continuously provided high level protective services to the community and continues the tradition today with a 21st century staff of certified firefighters and state-of-the-art fire and rescue equipment. This special anniversary acknowledges a century of selfless volunteer, first-responders who are honored for their courage and service. Congratulations to the Newtown Fire Association on this milestone with the gratitude of the community for demonstrating the dedication of your founders and an ongoing commitment to the protection of your neighbors, their lives, their homes and their properties.

HONORING THE LIFE OF ROSE TOREN

HON. TED LIEU

OF CALIFORNIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Tuesday, March 10, 2015

Mr. TED LIEU of California. Mr. Speaker, I rise to celebrate the life of Rose Toren—moth-

er, wife, grandmother, successful business woman, author, and Holocaust survivor—who passed away on February 2, 2015, at the age of 91.

Rose's favorite saying, "Never give up," which she passed along to her family, dictated the way she lived her life. Born into a traditional Jewish family in Poland as Rosalia Orenstein, she was the sole member of her family to survive the Holocaust.

On an otherwise ordinary evening in 1939, Nazi soldiers pounded on her door and ordered the family of seven to gather in a field. Her younger sister, Eda, decided to escape and was never seen again. At her father's urging, Rose also ran, never to see her family again.

With the help of classmate Urszula Grande, Rose obtained forged paperwork and assumed the identity of a displaced Christian Pole, Kazimiera Lukashuk. She clung to her new identity but was plagued by feelings of anger and isolation in denying her Jewish heritage. In a moment of despair, she admitted her true identity to someone whom she believed was a friend.

Rose quickly found herself in the walls of Auschwitz, where she was spared the gas chamber and worked knitting sweaters. She escaped Auschwitz shortly before the end of the war.

Like many Jewish survivors of the Holocaust, Rose fled Europe to Israel, where she met her husband, Jack Toren. The young couple later moved to New York, where their daughter Lili was born. When Lili was 9, the Toren family moved to Beverly Hills to provide the best life possible to their daughter.

Rose was quick to laugh and lived a life of defiance, thriving and bringing joy to countless others, against all odds. She is survived by her daughter, Mayor Lili Bosse, her son-in-law, John Bosse, and her grandchildren, whom I hope take comfort in the way Rose lived her life as a resilient and astounding woman. May her memory be a blessing to us all.